"The South 40"

by JAMES A. SMITH
EXTENSION AGENT

The '72 Culpeper Bull Test Sale is over and a new record was set. 91 bulls grossed $95,975.60, or an average of $1,054 per head.

Last week I stopped by James Ford's operation to see his new angus bull. It's another high quality bull that will make a genetic impact on the Appomattox Cattle.

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Last week this paper carried a picture of the Hix Brothers and announced the recent DHIA Awards that they received.

This is a significant achievement. They've only been on the DHIA program since 1967. At that time their herd average was just under 10,000 pounds. In four years they've been able to move the production up nearly 6,000 pounds. Last year production was up more than 2,000 pounds. DHIA didn't do this for this farm, but it did provide a guideline. A basis was available to permit a logical method of selection.

More Appomattox dairymen could find DHIA a highly desirable tool for making management decisions.

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There's been quite a bid said about the use of biological controls of pests in recent years. This is highly desirable, but not always practical. Some very good work has been done with the Alfalfa Weevil Parasite Program. Here small wasps are used to parasitize the weevil.

We are developing plans to cooperate with the Virginia Department of Agriculture in a release program in this county. Five different species of wasps will be released on each farm growing alfalfa.

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Nematodes probably cause tobacco growers more trouble than they get credit for. A few growers have treated for nematodes from time to time with varied results. The biggest deterant has been the equipment needed to do a good job.

MoCap, a 10% granular nematocide, is now available and does an effective job. It is broadcast at the rate of 60 to 80 pounds per acre and then double disced.

The cost is not excessive either.

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There have been some tobacco growers who have used plastic covers on plant beds to get plants ready early. There's a new design on the market which has 3/8 inch holes on 3 inch centers. This is a 2 mil. plastic and will be of use for only one season.

The larger holes allow better air and water penetration.

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There are a number of new things coming in tobacco such as a ripener for flue cured tobacco, and a chemical topper. The latter will depend upon the issurance of a label from FDA.

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PRECIPITATION:

Last Week	.31
This Month	2.46
This Year	10.17

4-H'ers Learn Pine Planting Tips

Fourth grade 4-H'ers at Appomattox Primary School are instructed on the correct methods of planting pine seedlings by County Forester, Warren Taylor. These 4-H members each received pine seedlings through the 4-H program. The seedlings are donated by the Virginia Division of Forestry to encourage young people to take an active interest in the importance of timber products. Pictured above are, from left (kneeling) Forester Warren Taylor, Mark Paulette (with planting bar), Tony Phelps, S. L. Ferguson, Kevin Moore, and Bill Warshburn, Jr. Standing: Robbie Sayre, Laurie McLean, and Margie Coleman.

PAMPLIN

Mrs. Curtis Paulette and Mrs. Kate Allen of Evergreen returned to their home after a week's visit with Mrs. Paulette's son-in-law and daughter Capt. and Mrs. Paul Bishop in Bowling Green, Ky.

Major and Mrs. W. W. Wallis spent last week end at Va. Beach.

The Pamplin Elementary Parents-Teachers Association met last Tues. night for the election of officers for the 1972-73 year; named were Mr. Garland Doss, president; Mrs. George Smith, vice president; Mrs. J. M. Cobb, Jr., secretary; and Mrs. O.H.Tolley, Jr., treasurer.

Pre-Easter services will begin Thurs. at the Pamplin United Methodist Church with the community Holy Communion with Dr. Carroll Freeman of Farmville. District superintendent as guest speaker at 7:30 p.m. Rev. John C. Hinchcliff will be the speaker Friday night at Elon Baptist Church. The Rev. John Campbell will conduct the Easter Sunday morning sunrise service at Beale Memorial Presbyterian Church at 6:30 a.m.

Dr. Adfield McCain of Livingston, Ala. was a guest of Miss Flora Belle Williams last week.

Miss Merle Davis, Mrs. Ruth Sanderson and Mrs. Edna Williams attended the Antique Show at Amelia last Sunday.

Miss Sally Farrar of Mary Baldwin College, Staunton and Miss Donna Smith of William and Mary are spending their semester vacation with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Farrar and Mr. and Mrs. E.J. Smith, Jr.

Emmette Williams of Richmond spent last week end with Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Williams.

GLADSTONE

Thought for the Week:

"Salvation is not putting a man into heaven, but putting heaven into man."

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis E.Moore left Wednesday to attend the Dry Cleaning Convention held in Atlanta City.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Stargell of Warren, Mrs. Clara Payne, Mrs. Bea Wallace were Sunday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Bolton.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Seay were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Martin and Mrs. Rachel Moore. They visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Toyal Maure, also.

Mr. and Mrs. Maynard Powell of Lynchburg, spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Lewis E. Moore's children.

Sunday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Spiggle were Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Austin, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Smith, Mr. Wayne Austin, Renee and Timmie, all from Roanoke.

Mrs. Thomas Eldridge and Bonnie visited Mrs. Eldridge's sister in Richmond Sunday.

Cadet Cyrus, of Lynchburg.

MRS. WEBB'S 4-H

We met March the 3rd. Larry Motley, Greg Hipps, Cynthia Roach and Martha Maxwell went to the Elem. School March 1st. Larry Motley and Cynthia Roach won a trophy and ribbon. Hipps and Martha Maxwell a ribbon.

We will be having fun. So watch out.

Reporter, Cynthia

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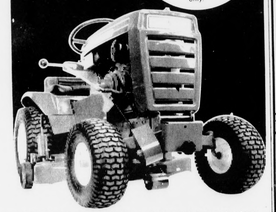

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Thank-You For Dr. Fratrick

For Dr. A. A. Fratrick, (right) there's a new plaque for the wall, this one in "grateful recognition" for professional assistance to the Appalachian Red Cross Blood program and presented Friday by Mrs. Benjamin Harvey (left), co-chairman for the Bloodmobile program in Appomattox, sponsored by the Junior Woman's Club. Each of the three Appomattox physicians gives time to the Bloodmobile visit, checking records of potential donors and serving in many other capacities as well. Next Bloodmobile visit is Tuesday, April 11.

Dr. Mathews Is Honored

Many, many people contribute to the success of the Bloodmobile's visits to Appomattox, including Dr. J. A. Mathews (right) who is the recipient of a plaque from the Appalachian Red Cross Blood Program for his services to the Bloodmobile. Making the presentation is Mrs. Benjamin Harvey, co-chairman for the Bloodmobile, sponsored by the Junior Woman's Club. Next Bloodmobile visit is April 11 — a good day to help Appomattox meet its quota of 190 units of blood to save lives!

Jordan Baptist

Everyone present enjoyed the inspiring message preached by Bro. Hilton Sunday morning.

Sunday night at 7:30 Bro. Seay will be a 3-way speaker. The speakers will be Rev. J. W. Paige, Rev. W. R. Ingram and Rev. C. L. Elliott.

There will be a choir from Big Flat Hughts singing for us.

On the second Sunday, April 9 at 7:30 p.m. the Amateur Spirituals of Amherst will be here in concert. The public is invited to attend.

Church members are reminded that they are to meet Saturday night, April 1, to complete work on the cemetery. All are asked to bring their tools.

The third Sunday in May at 7:30 the Community Singers of Rustburg will present a program here.

On the fourth Sunday in April at 3 p.m. there will be a dedication service here. There is also being a program planned for that night.

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Mrs. Virginia St. John and children visited Mr. and Mrs. Emory Mullins and Paul Sat.

Mrs. Cecil Nash and Mrs. Elliott Nash and Dawn Kerr spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Jennings and Lloyd Nash.

Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Mann and daughter visited Mr. and Mrs. Kenny Mann and Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Mann and boys Sun.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Mann and Mrs. Henry Mann spent Sat. in Bedford.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Mann, Keith, Tony and Mike visited Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Howard and children Sunday night.

Uncle Charlie Harvey, a dear old colored gentleman of our community, passed away Sat. morning. Uncle Charlie was loved by all who knew him.

Mr. and Mrs. Emory Mullins and Paul visited Mr. and Mrs. Vernie Jones Sun. night.

Those on the sick list are Mrs. Berkley Mayberry and Those on the sick list are Mrs. Berkley Mayberry and Andy and Renita Mullins. We hope they will be better soon.

Mr. Paul Mullins and Mr. Lloyd Mayberry visited Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Mullins and family Sunday night.

Keith, Tony and Mike Mann spent Sat. with Dawn Kerr.

SENIOR CAR WASH
SATURDAY - 9 a.m.

Seniors of Appomattox County High School are sponsoring a car wash -- Just in time to get your car in "Easter pretty shape". The seniors are "Calling all cars" to the Intermediate School beginning at 9 a.m. Saturday. Class president is Steve Lawson with the event being planned by Steve, Karen Cabaniss, and Jane Hill, and others eager to raise enough money to have a really neat Senior Banquet.

First Baptist

Rev. Murray and the church was invited to New Life Baptist Church in Bedford Sunday. Regular preaching services were held at the First Baptist Church Sunday at 11:00 a.m. Rev. Murray preached a wonderful sermon. All present enjoyed the message. We were happy to have Rev. Trustlow to worship with us. We were happy to have our visitors to worship with us, also Mrs. Ella Brown who has been away for the winter. Mrs. Dorothy Carter is home visiting her brother and nieces, Mr. Willie Wright and daughters.

Mrs. Ann Patterson is doing nicely.

Prayer services are being held each second and fourth Tuesday night. Everyone is invited to come and worship.

At the close of the morning worship the Lord supper was served.

Gives Time To Bloodmobile

Dr. C. G. O'Brien, collector of Indian artifacts, as seen on the walls of his office, has a new plaque to add to the many honors accorded this popular physician for devotion to professional and civic causes. This is a plaque from the Appalachian Red Cross Blood Program in recognition of the hours which Dr. O'Brien gives to the Bloodmobile on each of its visits to Appomattox. Making the presentation (right) is Mrs. Robert Carter, co-chairman of the Bloodmobile project, sponsored by the Junior Woman's Club. Dr. O'Brien and Mrs. Carter want to remind AT LEAST 190 donors that Tuesday, April 11 is Bloodmobile day, 12 noon to 6 p.m. at Liberty Baptist Church.

Ralph Hamlett

On Dean's List

Ralph Hamlett, student at Central Virginia Community College, Lynchburg, is on the Dean's List for academic achievement. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Hamlett of Evergreen.

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Sandy Pitsenberger

Named 'Student Nurse 1972-73'

Sandy Pitsenberger, of Appomattox, has been named Student Nurse of 1972-73 at a banquet Friday evening, March 24.

She is a Junior at Riverside Hospital School of Nursing in Newport News, Virginia.

She will attend the state Student Nurses Association of Virginia Convention in Richmond to compete for state title of "Student Nurse of the Year, 1972-73.

She was a representative to the state convention last year. Miss Pitsenberger has served as secretary of her freshman class and is currently secretary of the junior class. She is also second vice president of the Student Nurses Association of Virginia and chairman of the Committee on District SNAV By-laws. She serves as secretary of the student government organization at Riverside and has made the Dean's List each semester at Christopher Newport College.

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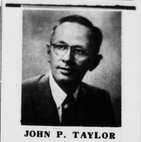

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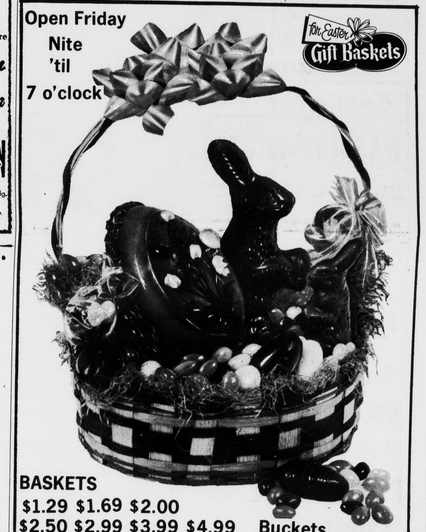

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